

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the application of: Confirmation: 6791

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Application Number: 10/020,481 Examiner: Nguyen, Hao X.

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(171301-1220)

Title: **METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR LOSSLESS SWITCHOVER IN A REDUNDANT SWITCH FABRIC**

RESPONSE TO THE FINAL OFFICE ACTION OF JULY 24, 2006

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Sir:

In regard to the outstanding Final Office Action mailed on July 24, 2006 the following Response is submitted.

It is not believed that extensions of time or fees for net addition of claims are required, beyond those that may otherwise be provided for in documents accompanying this paper. However, in the event that additional extensions of time are necessary to allow consideration of this paper, such extensions are hereby petitioned under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a), and any fees required therefor (including fees for net addition of claims) are hereby authorized to be charged to Deposit Account No. 50-1867.

Please amend the above-identified application as follows: